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The Honorable Hillary Clinton
Secretary of State
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The Honorable Janet Ann Napolitano
Secretary of Homeland Security
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Dear Secretary Clinton and Secretary Napolitano:

The British extremist Cleric Anjem Choudary has publically stated that he plans to go to the White House and hold "...a rally, a call for the Sharia, a call for the Muslims to rise up and establish the Islamic state in America."

This is the man who burned an American flag outside the American Embassy in London on September 11, 2010. He continually makes anti-American and extremist statements. In fact, he is so radical that British authorities banned his group, Islam4UK. Moreover, his associate Abu Izzadeen, who plans to join Choudary at his "rally" was convicted on charges of terrorist fund-raising and inciting terrorism and served three-and-a-half years in British jail.

Anyone convicted of a terrorism charge should not be allowed to step foot on American soil.

If Anjem Choudary attempts to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program, I urge you to deny his authorization for travel when he fills out the application on the Department of Homeland Security's Electronic System for Travel Authorization. I urge you to do the same for his British extremist associates, Abu Izzadeen and Sayful Islam, who say they will join him at his rally.

If Anjem Choudary applies for a visa to travel to the United States, I urge you to deny that visa. I also urge you to block his British extremist associates, Abu Izzadeen and Sayful Islam, from obtaining visas.

Due to time-sensitive nature of this important issue, I ask that you expedite your responses to my requests.

Sincerely,

Sue Myrick
Member of Congress